

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## AWARDS CEREMONY SPOTLIGHTS HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Individuals and organizations that have contributed significantly to historic preservation in Tucson and Pima County will be recognized at the annual Historic Preservation Awards Ceremony. The Tucson-Pima County Historical Commission (T-PCHC) and the Tucson Historic Preservation Foundation (THPF) will host the event.

**Date:** Saturday, May 21, 2016 **Time:** 9:30 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Place: Scottish Rite Cathedral, 160 S. Scott Ave., Tucson, AZ 85701

## 2016 Award winners include:

- Jean Baxter for "Friday at the Fort" educational outreach programs at the Presidio San Agustín del Tucson Spanish fort;
- William Kalt III for his educational outreach on Tucson aviation and railroad history;
- Joseph T. Joaquin, Tohono O'odham Nation Cultural Resource Specialist, for his lifetime dedication to preserving the heritage of the O'odham people;
- Dianne Bret-Harte for leadership of the Southwestern Foundation for Education and Historic Preservation;
- J. Michael & Peggy Atchley for their long-term conservation efforts of Tucson's Scottish Rite Cathedral:
- Christopher Franklin Carroll Centennial Park development by El Presidio Neighborhood Association and City of Tucson Parks and Recreation;
- Renovation of a 1911 structure at 876 E. University Blvd.by Rob Paulus Architects, Repp + Mclain Design and Construction, and property owners Pete Turner and Matt Meyer;
- Sunset Road Footprints Public Outreach program by Desert Archaeology, Inc., SWCA, Inc., Pima County Cultural Resources Program, and Innovative Excavating Inc.;
- TCC Plaza Documentation and Stewardship Planning by City of Tucson, the Heritage Conservation Program of the University of Arizona, CAD Department of Pima Community College Downtown Campus; WSM Architects of Tucson; Darling Geometric; and Jeff Hunt;
- Rehabilitation of the C. O. Brown House by Oden Construction, Barker-Morrissey Contracting, City of Tucson Historic Preservation Program and Housing and Community Development Program;



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- Pascale Row House restoration by Kathe Lison and Christopher Cokinos, Oden Construction, Hess Structural Engineering, and The Architecture Company.
- Michael Taku, Lead Planner, COT Development Services, will receive the Chair's Preservation Award.
- Thomas E. Sheridan will receive the Alene Dunlap Smith and Paul Smith Award, the commission's highest award, for his dedicated, long-term commitment to historic preservation in our community.

The T-PCHC's mission is to foster awareness and preservation of historic sites, structures, districts, and character in our community. The Tucson Mayor and City Council, City of South Tucson, and Pima County Board of Supervisors appoint its members. The THPF is dedicated to preserving and celebrating the distinctive and irreplaceable historic resources of Tucson and Pima County.

This year's ceremony is supported by the T-PCHC and the THPF. The event is free and open to the public.

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